

TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
October 6, 2008

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, October 6, 2008 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President Ruth E. Shedd and Vice President John L. Knochel. Also present were: Attorney David Luhman, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, Auditor Chief Deputy Dawn Rivera, and Secretary Jennifer Prange.

Commissioner Ruth Shedd called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve minutes from September 15, 2008 meeting, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

BOARD OF ELECTION & REGISTRATION – Debbie Ingersoll & Heather Maddox

Co-Directors Heather Maddox and Debbie Ingersoll requested approval of the Election Worker Training Contract with Ivy Tech. Ms. Maddox reported a few changes were made to include a shorter class for returning workers, additional classes, and more hands-on-training.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract as presented, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval of accounts payable vouchers for September 18, 19, 25, 26, 2008 and October 2, 3, 6, 2008 as submitted without exceptions.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

HIGHWAY – Mike Spencer

Assistant Highway Director Mike Spencer requested approval for a 3-year Construction Maintenance Bond for 1307 Tower Drive in the amount of \$5,000 from C.F. Jones Group Inc.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Construction Maintenance Bond as presented, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

A 3-year Construction Maintenance Bond was recommended for approval on David Howarth Drive/Burr Swezey Drive in the amount of \$5,000 from the Simmons Company, LLC.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Construction Bond as presented, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

GRANTS – Laurie Wilson

Grant Coordinator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for the Project Safe Neighborhood Grant in the amount of \$27,192 for the Prosecutor's Office.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to grant approval to apply for the Project Safe Neighborhood Grant, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

She requested permission to accept funds in the amount of \$10,000 for the Health Department for the Bioterrorism Preparedness Grant.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to accept grant funds for the Health Department, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

BUILDING COMMISSION – Ken Brown & Ron Highland

Unsafe Structure

Building Commissioner Ron Highland provided estimates to remove debris from the Helen Johnson property located on North 9th Street. The building commission has contacted the Highway Department, Community Corrections, and a private contractor to determine the cost of removing the debris by the county.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to grant permission to the Building Commission to remove the debris using county departments and employees, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

Building Inspector Ken Brown provided pictures of an unsafe structure located at 6919 Virginia Street in Colburn. A barn located on the property was a hazard and deemed an unsafe structure. He reported the owners were notified by the Building Commission and the barn has been removed.

PROSECUTOR – Kristen McVey

Attorney Luhman gave details regarding Ordinance 2008-17-CM, Amending Tippecanoe County Code Adding New Chapter 34 Section 34.63; Prosecutor's Check Deferral Fund. The ordinance will enforce the procedures for check deception in the county and allow the Prosecutor's Office to outsource the collections. The contractor will charge an additional fee for collection; the service will be provided at no charge to the county.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Ordinance 2008-17-CM, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

Chief Deputy Rivera recorded the vote:

Knochel	Yes
Shedd	Yes

Ordinance 2008-17-CM passes 2-0 on first reading.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to suspend the rules and hear Ordinance 2007-17-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.
- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Ordinance 2007-17-CM on second and final reading, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

Chief Deputy Rivera recorded the vote:

Knochel	Yes
Shedd	Yes

Ordinance 2008-17-CM passes 2-0 on second and final reading.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Pat Scowden

Director Pat Scowden requested approval for amendments made to the Community Corrections by-laws for the Advisory Board. Commissioner Shedd confirmed the Advisory Board by-laws were approved in 2005 and were not signed at that time by the commissioners.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the by-laws for Community Corrections as presented, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

TIPPECANOE VILLA – DeAnna Sieber

Director DeAnna Sieber requested approval to increase the daily rate for private pay residents. The private pay rate has not been increased since 2003; she recommended an increase of \$5.00 per day to be effective January 1, 2009.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve an increase of \$5.00 per day for private pay residents in 2009, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.
- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve applications to the Villa from Becky A. Cunningham and Allen R. Keehn, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

JUVENILE ALTERNATIVES – Tammy Patrick

Director Tammy Patrick requested approval for Memorandum of Agreements between the school corporations, Greater Lafayette Area Special Services (G.L.A.S.S.), and the Truancy Mediation program. The contracts will provide funding for the schools Truancy Mediation programs in the 2008/2009 school year.

West Lafayette School Corporation - \$2,040
 Tippecanoe School Corporation - \$8,160
 Lafayette School Corporation - \$12,240
 G.L.A.S.S. - \$4,080

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contracts for Truancy Mediation, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

SURVEYOR – Steve Murray

Surveyor Steve Murray requested approval for the Rule 13 Notice of Intent Letter and the Rule 13 Water Quality Management Plan for the Phase II Stormwater program. He reported all entities involved in the project have received a copy of the documents for approval. Surveyor Murray recommended the commissioners grant the President of the Drainage Board the authority to sign the documents on their behalf.

- Commissioner Shedd moved to approve the documents as submitted and grant the President of the Drainage Board authority to sign the completed documents on behalf of the commissioners, second by Commissioner Knochel; motion carried.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

Attorney Luhman recommended approval for a Quit Claim Deed previously approved by the Commissioners for property granted to the City of Lafayette in Brookview Subdivision.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Quit Claim Deed for property granted to the City of Lafayette, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist requested approval of a sponsorship agreement between the Lafayette/West Lafayette Development Corporation and the county for use of the courthouse steps and lawn for the 2008 Christmas Parade.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the sponsorship agreement for the Christmas Parade, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion approved.

SCAN NET SOFTWARE SUPPORT AGREEMENT

Attorney Luhman recommended approval for the ScanNet Software Support agreement from Light & Breuning for the parking garage.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract with Light & Breuning, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

ANIMAL SHELTERING AGREEMENT WITH CRYSTAL CREEK KENNELS

Benard Wulle from the Crystal Creek Kennels provided a summary of services received in 2007. Intake of animals has increased slightly in 2008; the kennel took in 1379 animals in 2007 and 1280 thus far in 2008. He expects an additional 200 animals by the end of 2008. He is not recommending an increase due to the large number of adoptions in 2008.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the agreement with Crystal Creek Kennels for 2009, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008-37-CM; Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures

Attorney Luhman gave details regarding Resolution 2008-37-CM; Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures for the Juvenile Center. The resolution confirms if bonds are purchased for the proposed Juvenile Center the commissioners may receive reimbursement from the bonds for any monies advanced for out-of-pocket expenses for the project.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Resolution 2008-37-CM; Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures, second by Commissioner Shedd; motion carried.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

None

REPORTS ON FILE

Mail & Duplicating
Weights & Measures
Clerk of Circuit Court
Veterans Affairs
Tippecanoe County Public Library
Parks & Recreation

PUBLIC COMMENT


Tracy Locke, representing the Potawatomi Nation and the Trail of Death Association, asked the commissioners if a decision has been made regarding the signs for the trail. She reported she has traveled the trail several times and on her most recent trip used the map produced by the Highway Department. She was able to follow the trail without trouble through other counties without problems until she reached Tippecanoe County. She encouraged the commissioners to consider posting additional signs to properly mark the trail.

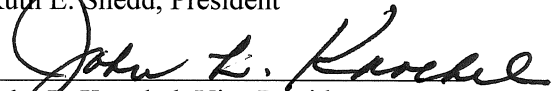
Commissioner Shedd reported the Highway Department has posted two of the requested signs and has produced a map for the Trail of Death. Director Kuhl has discussed brochures for the Trail of Death with the Visitors and Convention Bureau.

Commissioner Shedd stated safety issues regarding the signs will be evaluated and the commissioners will meet with Director Kuhl to discuss the paired down list of signs to be posted.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to adjourn.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE**


Ruth E. Shedd, President


John L. Knochel, Vice President

ATTEST:



Jennifer Weston, Auditor



KD Benson, Member